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Nanny—and I feel sure that it is only
naughtiness. We've
tried to make him indicate to us by sounds that
he wishes to
perform, but he always lets us know
afterwards and not
before."

12. "My sister's boy of twenty-one months
has not used
his chamber since he was a tiny baby though
he is put on it
regularly every day. He does not dislike it,
but has decided
that he likes better to do 'his business' on the
floor, and so
sits for a little on the chamber and then gets
up and does it
on the floor a little later. She does not let him
see how worried
she is, but gently remonstrates with him. He
does not seem
to like it on the floor and even gets a cloth and
tries to dry it up.
He is a bright healthy child and clever for his
age. He has
never really used his chamber at all
except merely by
accident/'

13. "I am very anxious about my baby boy of
nineteen
months. I have a nurse help to look after
him but it seems
that she cannot get him clean ; he refuses to sit
down and it
is quite a fight with him all the time. Could
you make any
suggestion ? I looked after my elder child
myself and she
was absolutely clean by the time she was a
year and the
thought of baby of nineteen months is too
awful/*

14. "I have been helped so often with your
advice to other
mothers, and now I wonder if you would be so
good as to help
me with my problem. My baby girl, aged one
year and two
weeks, will not do her duties when I hold her out.
She either
screams and twists about or just plays and
wiggles. Then a
few minutes later will dirty her nappies. I
am always very
gentle with her and a few weeks back I did
manage to catch
her sometimes, but now I can hold her for ten
minutes without
any success, and it really gets tiring holding her
for a long time
when she just cries and wiggles and pulls my
hair, etc. When
I used, to lift her up at 10 p.m. I used to be able
to make her
do her duty after a little coaxing, but now she
screams and sobs

and gets so upset that I don't try for long and even when the light is out again she will stay awake crying and sitting up for quite a time. As she gets rather constipated and the doctor has advised me to give her special medicine each day, she never does her big duty in the proper place. In the morning when I put her out about 10.25 she is very wet when I bring her in about half an hour later, and it is useless to hold her out. Apart from this trouble she is a very happy little soul with a smile for everyone."

15. "I have a baby girl, aged fifteen months, an only child. She is a very healthy child, full of life and high spirits, and extremely bright and intelligent. She is a happy little soul,